

# AMERICAN LIVES WERE LOST ON THE ARABIC

It is Feared that Germany Has Committed the  
"Deliberately Unfriendly Act"

OF COURSE, HOWEVER, THE ADMINISTRATION WILL GIVE THE KAISER EVERY OPPORTUNITY  
TO MAKE AN EXCUSE

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 21, 1 p. m.—It is announced at the state department that Ambassador Gerard will probably be directed to call the attention of the Berlin foreign office to the sinking of the Arabic, and invite an explanation. This is the first instance of an official indication that Germany will be given an opportunity to give reasons for the attack and disregard of President Wilson's warning that such an act will be regarded as deliberately unfriendly. It is understood the American policy is to use the utmost deliberation consistent and omit no opportunity of avoiding a rupture as long as there is any change of sufficient excuse. Secretary Lansing said he couldn't do more until information was received.

## AMERICAN LIVES LOST

Washington, Aug. 21.—Tension was increased in official quarters last night when consular messages, forwarding affidavits of American survivors of the British liner Arabic, brought definite information that American lives were lost. It seems that but one point remains to be cleared up, namely: whether the Arabic attempted to ram the submarine or whether the change of the liner's course in an attempt to save the British steamer Dunksley, which was sinking nearby, was interpreted by the German commander as a hostile approach.

## AWAITING INFORMATION

The attitude of the American government is receptive, awaiting details and reserving judgment as to whether the action was "deliberately unfriendly." The decision rests with President Wilson and up to the present no official statement has been given out. The general trend of comment is that the United States has reached a point where it must decide whether to sever diplomatic relations with Germany or not.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXCUSE

Ambassador Gerard at Berlin is expected to ascertain whether Germany sanctioned the attack. If Germany offers explanations claiming qualifying circumstances, such as the Arabic's attempt to escape or ram the submarine, that may be construed as a disposition to disavow any intention to deliberately violate the principles for which the United States contends.

## SHIP TOO BIG TO RAM A SUB

The statement of an American survivor officially transmitted, that the lifeboats drifted for hours before rescued was regarded as destroying the theory that the Arabic was conveyed when sunk. Naval officers here scouted the theory that a vessel the size of the Arabic would attempt to ram a submarine.

## WHY WASN'T IT?

London, Aug. 21.—The British government authorizes the statement that the Arabic was not being conveyed when she was torpedoed.

## ONLY TWO AMERICANS

London, Aug. 21.—It has been definitely ascertained that only two Americans on the Arabic are missing.

## REVISED DEATH LIST

The revised list of passengers lost with the Arabic totals sixteen, and with forty of the crew makes a total of fifty-six.

## BEAN SEED

We have just received our new bean seed for the fall planting; all varieties. Ocala Seed Store. 8-11-15

Fritz Acker receives shrimp and crabs every day direct from the sea. Shrimp 20c per quart or 10c per portion; crabs fresh or deviled 10c each. Free delivery. Phone 9, Hogan's. 2t

# SIZING UP THE CITRUS SECTION OUTLOOK IS PROMISING FOR A GOOD AND WELL HANDLED CROP OF ORANGES

Mr. A. R. Sandlin and his guests, the committee appointed by the Ocala Citrus Packing House Association to go with him and inspect different packing houses in the Lake region section, returned last night from their trip of nearly 300 miles. In the party were Messrs. S. T. Sistrunk, E. L. Carney of Ocala, Mr. Brooks of Oklawaha and Mr. J. H. Mathews of Candler.

The gentlemen made their first stop Thursday at Leesburg, where they went through one of the big packing houses there. From there they went to Tavares and inspected a packing house there, thence to Eustis, and looked over one packing house; thence to Umatilla, where three houses were inspected, and then to Orlando, where they spent the night and inspected three houses.

Yesterday, Friday, they went to Winter Park and viewed the "brag packing house of the state," as it was called when erected by Mr. Temple, the father of the Florida Citrus Exchange. From there the party went to Maitland, where they went all over the huge packing house built by Mr. Sandlin, himself. This house is 130 x 180 feet, is owned by Walter Drennen Co., and is a beauty, it has a double outfit, each capable of packing five car loads a day, or ten cars when both are running. They went back to Orlando for dinner yesterday and then went to Winter Garden, where they called on our former citizen G. J. Strozier, now growing rich in that prosperous section, and then on to Tildenville and the South Lake Apopka Association's house, one of the very best in the state, and from there to Mount Verde and on home via Leesburg.

The party saw almost every sized packing house, and machinery of different sizes, and capacity and most all of the different manufacturers. They now have a good idea of packing houses and packing house machinery and how to arrange them and this information will be of great value to them in the work to be done in Ocala.

Mr. Sadler, a director of the Exchange, met the party at Tildenville, and gave them a great deal of information and one of the directors was with them at Tavares.

Mr. B. E. Morrell, of Tampa, chief packing house inspector for the Exchange will be in Ocala Monday and will stay with the committee as long as his services or advice can be of any assistance to them.

The committee will now be practically in continuous session till all plans for the house have been settled upon and the machinery bought and the house leased or its construction commenced.

The committee is much pleased over its trip and all of the members saw something new and some of them had never seen that part of the state. They are very grateful to Mr. Sandlin for the fine trip and the opportunity he gave them to see so much that is of value to them.

# BAD ENOUGH BUT NOT SO BAD

DEATHS IN THE TEXAS STORM  
WILL NOT EXCEED THREE  
HUNDRED

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 21.—Governor Ferguson of Texas has wired President Wilson that the deaths in the Texas coast storm would not exceed 300. The damage is over-estimated. He doesn't know yet whether help will be needed from outside Texas.

## TWO HUNDRED THE TOTAL

Galveston, Aug. 21.—The total known dead as the result of the hurricane in Galveston, on the island and mainland, is estimated today at two hundred.

The city cannot get water from the Alta Loma plant for several days.

# COTTON IS CONTRABAND

TO BE SO DECLARED BY THE  
ALLIES TOMORROW

(Associated Press)

Paris, Aug. 21.—The foreign office announces the official journal will contain the announcement of the British and French governments declaring cotton to be contraband.

## WENT BACK WEST

Robert Martin was arraigned in Judge Smith's court this morning on a charge of carrying concealed weapons, on a warrant made by Sheriff Galloway. He pled guilty and was fined \$100 and costs. His uncle, Mr. John R. Martin, made no charge against the young man for the murderous assault and attempted hold-up on him a few days ago.

The young man has been very penitent for several days, and on the advice of friends, it has been arranged that he leave the country and no further charges would be made against him. Accordingly, his uncle this morning paid his fine, bought him a ticket to Denver, Colo., his home for the past five years, and gave him money sufficient for his expenses for the next month. He was accompanied as far as Jacksonville by his brother-in-law, Mr. Clyde Moxley.

Tires are cash, but we will give you the best tire service you ever put on your car. Immediate and liberal adjustments always. Davies the Tire Man. 8-12-15

A full line of loose leaf ledgers, note books and memorandums always on hand at Gerig's. 1t

# ITALIANS AND AUSTRIANS BATTLE IN AIR

ACCORDING TO THE FORMER, THE LATTER HAD  
THE WORST OF IT

(Associated Press)

Paris, Aug. 21.—A Turin dispatch to the Figaro says that Italian aeroplanes defeated an Austrian squadron off the Adriatic coast. Three Austrian machines were brought down and their crews captured or killed.

# BULGARIA SEEMS TO MEAN BUSINESS

FORCES MASSES IN FORMIDABLE NUMBER ON THE  
TURKISH FRONTIER

(Associated Press)

Naples, Aug. 21.—A Salonika dispatch to Mattino says that Bulgaria has massed 150,000 troops on the Turkish frontier.

# PREPARING TO ANNEX POLAND

EXPECTED THAT GERMANY  
WILL MAKE IT PART OF  
THE EMPIRE

(Associated Press)

Berlin, Aug. 21.—Commenting exhaustively on the speech in the Reichstag of Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, German newspapers attach particular importance to his remarks regarding Poland. The general opinion is that annexation is contemplated. It is almost universally approved.

RUSSIANS DRIVEN ACROSS THE  
BIALA RIVER

The Russian town of Bielsk, twenty-five miles south of Bialystok, has been captured by the Germans. The Russians have been driven over the Biala river.

## LOOKING FOR THE LYNCHERS

Georgia Authorities Making a Great  
Display of Vigilance

(Associated Press)

Atlanta, Aug. 21.—Governor Harris conferred today with Solicitor Clay and Superior Court Judge Patterson of the Blue Ridge circuit, in which Cobb county is located, relative to the Frank lynching. Both assured him they would do all possible to bring the lynchers into court. Judge Patterson said a special session of court would be called August 30th. The grand jury meets Sept. 1st. He will charge them to make a diligent search.

## ABE RUEF IS OUT

Premier Scoundrel of San Francisco  
Given His Parole

(Associated Press)

San Francisco, Aug. 21.—Abe Ruef, serving a sentence of 14 years for bribery, was paroled out of San Quentin today.

Our sheet music stock is up-to-date. Daily demonstrations.

Latner's Piano Store.

On Saturday and Monday, 17 pounds of sugar for \$1, with one dollar cash. Smith Grocery Co. Phone 434. 1t

We have a few of the famous Shumate and Chase razors which we will sell below cost price to close out. The Court Pharmacy. 1t

THE CLERK GUARANTEED IT  
"A customer came into my store the other day and said to one of my clerks, 'have you anything that will cure diarrhoea?' and my clerk went and got him a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and said to him, 'if this does not cure you, I will not charge you a cent for it.' So he took it home and came back in a day or two and said he was cured," writes J. H. Berry & Co., Salt Creek, Va. Obtainable everywhere.

# TRYING TO HOLD THE TEUTONS

BRAVE RUSSIANS CONTINUE TO  
STUBBORNLY FIGHT THEIR  
LOSING BATTLE

(Associated Press)

London, Aug. 21.—The Russians are fighting desperately and vainly to check the Teutons. Novo Georgievsk, the last Polish fortress, has fallen. Ossoweits is still resisting, because the marshy country prevents the Germans from using their heavy guns.

South of Brest-Litovsk, MacKenzie's forces are far beyond the Bug. Other German armies east of the river make a serious defense of Bialystok and the Brest-Litovsk line virtually impossible.

The naval battle in Riga gulf is progressing, the latest Petrograd dispatch says. No details are given.

## RUSSIANS HIT A ZEPPELIN

Russian gunners brought down a Zeppelin which was approaching Vilna, says a Reuter Petrograd dispatch.

## FRENCH HAD TO RETREAT

The French admission that they were unable to hold the Lens and Arras cross roads, is the only important development on other fronts.

## BALKAN NATIONS MAY GET TOGETHER

The solution of the diplomatic situation in the near east is appreciably nearer. The Greek cabinet has been formed by Venizelos. The indications are that Serbia will yield to Bulgaria's demands.

## TOOK A HEAVY TOLL

German submarines, after forty-eight hours of unusual activity, have evidently returned to their bases. They took a heavy toll of allied shipping.

# DECLARATION OF WAR ABOUT DUE

ITALIAN MINISTER SAYS TURKISH  
SITUATION IS BECOMING  
INTOLERABLE

(Associated Press)

Rome, Aug. 21.—The Italian cabinet yesterday received an exhaustive report from Foreign Minister Sonnino on the Turkish situation. Sonnino declared it had become intolerable. The decision of the cabinet is a secret.

Mr. John W. Willis of Crystal River is in the city, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Baum at the Empire.

Lieut. H. C. Campbell and the marksmanship squad of the Ocala Rifles returned from the state encampment last night.

Mrs. H. H. Harold entertained at an informal tea this afternoon for a few of the neighborhood friends of Miss Jefferson Bell, who left today for Miami, where she will reside.

Last night at the Temple theater there was a large crowd out to see The Diamond from the Sky. A new feature, a song, entitled "The Diamond from the Sky," was thrown on the screen and some of the young ladies sang it. It is a very catchy air and is very appropriate for the Friday evening program.

VEGETABLES, MILK AND EGGS from our own farm daily. Open night and day. Merchant's Cafe. 1t

Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer, the best, purest and most healthful of ALL summer drinks, at Johnny's Place. 1t

# CENTRAL WEST STORM SWEEP

Much Damage in Illinois, Arkansas and Missouri

WIND AND RAIN OF THE PRAIRIES TRIED TO RIVAL THE  
GULF TIDAL WAVE

(Associated Press)

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 21.—Nine dead and two missing with property damage estimated at between two million seven hundred and fifty thousand and three million, are results of the storm that swept this section of Illinois, Missouri and Arkansas yesterday.

## ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY SUFFERED

St. Louis and its suburbs and neighboring Illinois towns suffered most. The levee broke at East Alton, Ills. The inhabitants of Benbow, Wood River and East Alton barely escaped with their lives by fleeing to the high ground. Small streams became rivers. Thousands are homeless.

# POLICY HOLDERS MAY BE PROTECTED

Luning Takes a Long Step Toward  
Straightening Out the  
Florida Life

Tallahassee, Aug. 20.—The following circular letter, being sent out to all the policy holders of the Florida Life Insurance Company, will be of interest to the general public. It will be remembered that some weeks ago the Florida Life Insurance Co. was placed in the hands of J. C. Luning, state treasurer and insurance commissioner, as receiver. Mr. Luning has given his usual prompt attention to the business and now announces the re-insurance of all the business of the company.

It is understood that the contract with the Inter-Southern Life Insurance Company provides for the payment in full of all death claims accruing prior to the receivership immediately after Sept. 30, 1915, the re-insurance date, and that for five years all death claims are guaranteed in full. Complete details of the contract of re-insurance will be available in a few days.

Mr. Luning deserves great credit for his efforts to protect the policy holders and is to be congratulated on the splendid success which has resulted. His letter to the policy holders follows.

## Luning's Letter

Jacksonville, Aug. 19, 1915.  
Dear Sir: By order of the court, the business and assets of the Florida Life Insurance Company were placed in my custody on the ninth day of July, 1915.

After having control for a few weeks, I realized that, owing to the character of the assets and the uncertainty and doubt in the minds of the policy holders as to the ultimate outcome, a great many of the policy holders were unwilling to continue paying the premiums on their policies. This situation, to my mind, precluded the possibility of a successful continuation of the business by me, as I was unable to furnish them any guarantees. Having become convinced of this fact, I at once began negotiations with several life insurance companies with a view to re-insuring the policy holders in some solvent company.

I am very much gratified to be able to announce to you that this has been accomplished, arrangements having been perfected with the Inter-Southern Life Insurance Company of Louisville, Ky., to this effect. Said arrangement has received the sanction and approval of the court, whose agent I am. Full details of this arrangement, together with a blank form of agreement for you to execute, transferring your policy to the Inter-Southern Life Insurance Company, will be mailed you within the next ten or twelve days. The re-insurance is to take effect

# GOING TO BE SOME FINE GAMES

Palatka Team Here for Three Days  
Next Week and Raleigh, N. C.  
Nine Coming in September

Manager Hunter informs the Star that the Palatka team will be here for three days next week—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Palatka has one of the best teams in the state. It has beaten all the nines in its territory, and a few days ago took a game from the famous Nebraska Indians, who are about the same as professionals.

The Raleigh, N. C., team, one of the best amateur nines in the South, will be here during the third week in September if the proper arrangements can be made. This is a high-class team, and only goes where it is sure of a good game.

Both the nines are odds against the home team, but the Ocala boys will do their best. The Star hopes the people will turn out in force to see the games, and give baseball a little money over to do needed work during the winter season.

on September 30, 1915, this deferred date being set in order to give ample time to prepare and mail a statement and form agreement whereby each policy holder may transfer his policy to the Inter-Southern Life Insurance Company.

In the meantime, should you die, the contract with the Inter-Southern Life Insurance Company guarantees that your policy will be fully protected by its payment in full, less any indebtedness you might have on same, due the company. All premium payments due should be sent to the Florida Life Insurance Company until September 30th, 1915, after which date they should be paid to the Inter-Southern Life Insurance Company, should you sign the agreement which will be mailed you.

I would strongly urge, in your interest, that you pay your premiums, if due, as full details of this transaction will reach you within the next ten or twelve days, and if your death should occur in the interim, the contract guarantees that the beneficiaries of your policy would be paid in full. Very respectfully,  
J. C. Luning State Treasurer.

## KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Ocala Lodge No. 19. Conventions held every Monday at 8 p. m., at Castle Hall, over the James Carlisle drugstore. A cordial welcome to visiting brothers. C. B. Howell, C. C. C. K. Sage, K. of R. S. Ad

## OCALA LODGE NO. 286, B. P. O. E.

Ocala Lodge No. 286, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, meets the second and fourth Tuesday evenings in each month. Visiting brethren always welcome. Club house opposite postoffice, east side.  
J. H. von Engelken, E. R. Nelson Geise Secretary. At.

## RECOMMENDS CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY

"I never hesitate to recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," writes Sol Williams, merchant, Jesse, Tenn. "I sell more of it than any other preparation of like character. I have used it myself and found it gave me more relief than anything else I have ever tried for the same purpose." Obtainable everywhere.

On Saturday and Monday, 17 pounds of sugar for \$1, with one dollar's worth of other groceries, for cash. Smith Grocery Co. Phone 434. 1t